



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Monte Zweben et al.
Assignee: PeopleSoft, Inc.
Title: Iterative Repair Optimization with Particular Application to Scheduling for Integrated Capacity and Inventory Planning
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Please enter the following response to the Office Action dated August 4, 1999 in the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 13, line 28, after "equipment", insert --used--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for scheduling a complex activity that is governed by a set of pre-defined constraints including consumable resource constraints, wherein an unacceptable schedule exists for the activity, the method comprising the steps of:

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